



Central City N.M. 8/17/96

Director of Mint, Philadelphia

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I enclose you a 10¢ piece that came in to me in the course of business, it puzzles me, I think it is silver and it looks like a Genuine 10¢ piece ~~is~~ it genuine or Counterfeit. You will greatly oblige me by explaining just what the truth with the enclosed coin is.

Yours truly
 Chas. Astor
 Druggist

Genuine piece
 struck from a
 cracked planchet. ~~Then~~ ^{and}
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 the whole piece
 Examined 20 Aug. 1896. R.M.J.

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MINT OF U. S.
PHILADELPHIA

AUG 20 1896

Charles A. Stetzer
Central City, Neb.
Aug 17th 1896

Send a small coin for
examination & report—
(Germans)



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[Abstract:] Sends a coin for examination...

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Yours Truly
Cleo. A. Stitzer
Druggist

[Noted at bottom:]

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Coin ret'd 20 August 1896. G.N.L.